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Illegal Imports of Fireworks
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of cases of illegal imports of fireworks from China have been reported during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken to prevent smuggling of fireworks from China?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) & (b) Some cases of illegal import of Chinese fireworks have been detected by the Department during 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16 and the current financial year 2016-17 (upto December, 2016) wherein the Department has confiscated illegally imported fireworks valued at Rs. 3884.76 lakh.

(c) The Customs field formations have been sensitized to keep constant vigil.